

**TOWN OF DUNE ACRES
COUNCIL MINUTES
SATURDAY, AUGUST 16, 2008**

The Town of Dune Acres Town Council met for its regular monthly meeting on Saturday, August 16, 2008 at the Town Hall. Council President Louise Roberts called the meeting to order at 9:01 am, with Council Members John Sullivan and Jeffrey Swoger, Clerk-Treasurer William Nixon, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Sherry King, and Attorney Dan Whitten in attendance. Council President Louise Roberts opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Council Member Jeffrey Swoger moved that the minutes for the July 19, 2008 council meeting be approved as presented. Council Member John Sullivan seconded, and the minutes passed unanimously.

FINANCIAL REPORT AS OF:

Porter Bank – Checking	\$68567.23
Chase Bank – Savings	139760.09
Posted July Dep. Aug.	890.00
Record Balance	\$209217.32

Council Member John Sullivan moved that the financial report be accepted. Council Member Jeffrey Swoger seconded, and the financial report was accepted unanimously.

PAYMENT OF CLAIMS:

Council Member John Sullivan moved the claims for in the amount of \$67,796.89 be approved. Council Member Jeffrey Swoger seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED:

Patricia Jorgenson – Re-sent letter of complaint of usage of Dune Acres Fire access road.
Porter County Council – 2009 Budget Hearing Schedule
Porter County Voters Registration – Confirmation of use of Dune Acres Facility for Elections – November 4th. Attorney Dan Whitten reported that early voting will be permitted in the next election. Voters can use this method up to 30 days before the elections.
IACT – Foundation’s request for Silent Auction donations.
North American Salt Company – No additional product to sell for 2008/2009 Winter.
Social Security Office – Information on using the [www. socialsecurity.gov](http://www.socialsecurity.gov) website.
Harry Petrakis – Letter of support of a noise ordinance.

COMMISSIONERS REPORTS:

PARKS: Kellie Klein

Cheryl Evans reported that they want to paint the fences at the tennis courts and baseball diamond as soon as the screens come down.

ROADS: Mark Hull

Mark reported that he is still working with IAWC in getting roads repaired as originally stated.

Jim Smith of Able Disposal presented a proposal to be the exclusive hauler for the Town of Dune Acres. A copy of the proposal is in the Clerk-Treasurer’s office. Council President Louise Roberts stated the council would think about it and do a survey of the town residents.

Mark is searching for other salt providers for the 2008/2009 winter season.

Lou Mellen is still dealing with Hesham Khalil, of Global Land Surveying, LLC, concerning burying of utilities lines. He is waiting to see what he has to offer. He asked if anyone wants to be involved to let him know.

There was a discussion regarding an ordinance for future utility work done in town. At

last month's meeting John Nowak mentioned the ordinance they have in the Illinois town where he lives.

Discussions followed concerning trees, Security camera, and repaving of roads.

BUILDING: Lou Mellen

Lou stated there are 12 ongoing projects and all are going well.

MAINTENANCE: Dick Taylor

Nothing to report.

SECURITY: Cecilia Call

Security officer Diane Bartley broke her arm, but she is doing well. Cecilia requested the Security Officers be informed about any activities in Town.

There was a discussion of posting "swimming warning" signs at the security office when called by the Dune National Lake Shore. Two of the "swimming warning" signs are missing at the beach. She has instructed that the security officers log-in warnings from the National Lake Shore concerning swimming conditions. Council Member Jeffrey Swoger said he will get the signs to replace the two missing ones.

ENVIRONMENT: Cathy Bomberger

Cathy is planning to have a speaker, Noel Pavolick, come and talk about Howe Prairie and give a tour. The event is planned for September 27 at the Town Hall at 9:00 am. She had copies of a flyer of new invasive plants. The Environment Committee is concentrating their efforts on removal of oriental bittersweet and garlic mustard. Rob Carstens is in charge of the beach clean-up day, September 20th. Anyone interested in helping should contact him.

ENGINEER: Irv Call

Irv presented copies of his plans for installation of a gate at the access road. He had a cost estimate of \$522. After discussion with residents and council as to what constitutes an emergency it was decided to prepare a policy defining an emergency.

Pump House: Irv Call

Irv has ordered a spare pump meter.

Deer Committee: Ray Tittle

Ray reported that deer season doesn't start for 45 days and there was nothing to report.

OLD BUSINESS

The 2009 Budget hearing was called at this time. Budget hearing was closed by Council President Louise Roberts.

NEW BUSINESS

Beach Warning Policy

There was much discussion on the posting of beach warnings. When the National Lake Shore calls with alerts of "dangerous swimming" conditions signs are posted at East and Ridge beaches and at the Security Office. Security Commissioner Cecilia Call will prepare a procedure for the officers to follow.

OTHER MATTERS:

Upon the recommendation of the Plan Commission Council Member Jeffrey Swoger moved to approve the widening of a driveway at 70 West Road and a second floor addition at 15 Oak Drive. Council President Louise Roberts seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Council President Louise Roberts mentioned that Judy Elders knows a church that has volunteer workers that will do work for anybody that has work to be done.

The Westchester History Museum is presenting a special exhibit commemorating Dune Acres' 85th Anniversary. The Exhibit will run from September 3rd through October 26.

There will be a special “Opening Ceremony” on Sunday, September 7, from 2 – 5 p.m. with refreshments and a musical performance on the harp at 3 p.m. by Dune Acres’ own Heidi Sullivan. A special thanks to Mary Chuman for her efforts in this event.

There was much discussion concerning a noise ordinance. Attorney Dan Whitten is to prepare a well defined ordinance to present at the next Town Council meeting.

In reference to the Mertz pool house it was reported that the Town has a floor area limitation of 20% of square footage of the lot.

The date for the 2009 4th Fireworks will be set at the next Town Council meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:59 a.m.

CLAIMS FOR AUGUST 2008		
<u>CLAIMANT</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Atha W. Belsha	Security Pay Period 7/1/2008 - 7/31/2008	\$ 1,440.49
David W. Kristophel	Security Pay Period 7/1/2008 - 7/31/2008	\$ 490.51
Philip A. Lepley	Security Pay Period 7/1/2008 - 7/31/2008	\$ 1,442.72
Terry R. Trout	Security Pay Period 7/1/2008 - 7/31/2008	\$ 568.36
Garrett L. Tyrrell	Security Pay Period 7/1/2008 - 7/31/2008	\$ 568.69
Diane Bartley	Security Pay Period 7/1/2008 - 7/31/2008	\$ 1,713.53
Sherry A. King	Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Pay Period 7/1-7/31/2008	\$ 1,046.80
Emily A. Cheek	Security Pay Period 7/1/2008 - 7/31/2008	\$ 1,324.54
Harold E. King	Maintenance Pay Period 7/1/2008 - 7/31/2008	\$ 897.01
Verizon North	Town Phones - Gatehouse/Maintenance	\$ 145.10
	Phone/Fax/Internet - Clerk-Treasurer's Office	\$ 162.72
Nipsco	Electric at Mineral Springs & RT 12	\$ 10.22
	Electric at Clubhouse Dr. & Shore Dr.	\$ 14.83
	Gas/Electric at Town Hall - East Road	\$ 94.22
	Gas at Clubhouse	\$ 6.07
	Gas/Electric at Pump House	\$ 95.55
	Electric at Tennis Court	\$ 5.71
	Electric at 4 Shore Drive	\$ 28.27
	Electric at Security Office	\$ 138.80
Sandy O'Brien	Garlic Mustard Control 5/19/2008 - 6/2/2008	\$ 360.00
Porter Fire Department	CPR Classes for 11 residents	\$ 165.00
Keystone Software Systems	KeyBudget & Electronic Annual Report Classes	\$ 125.00
Nextel Communications	Security Mobile Phones	\$ 50.82
Bedrock and Boulders	4 yds Natural Mulch- End of West Road 8/6/08	\$ 148.00
	7 yds " " " " " "	\$ 219.00
Pride - Portable Toilets	July 16 - Aug 12, 2008	\$ 110.00
John Mullin Design Studio	5 aluminum, singleface, reflective signs	\$ 465.00
Chase Card Services	Automation Direct - Display Setpoint Panel - Pump	\$ 247.60
Chase Card Services	Hampton Inns - 1 overnight stay for Keystone class	\$ 36.50
Chase Card Services	Neward -Process meter, panel cutout - pump	\$ 120.22
Chase Card Services	DrPower - piece for brush mower	\$ 49.90
Chase Card Services	Lowe's - Maintenance supplies	\$ 8.95
Chase Card Services	Bateries Plus - battery for Security	\$ 39.99
Diane Bartley	Town Hall Cleaning for	
Able Disposal	Ridge Beach , East Beach, Town Hall	\$ 85.68
Kmart	Security Office Supplies	\$ 27.14
Diane Bartley	Town Hall Cleaning for July	\$ 40.00
Town of Dune Acres	Transfer Funds from Water Sale to General	\$51,080.00
The Times - Legal	Publication of 2009 Budget	\$ 67.66
Pinkerton Fuel & Lubricants	Fuel for Town Truck, mule & power tools	\$ 320.66
Quill Corporation	HP ink cartridge, paper, ink pen refills	\$ 109.41
Electronic Federal Tax Payment System	Payroll Liabilities for Pay Period7/1/2008 - 7/31/2008	\$ 3,049.42
Indiana Department of Revenue	Payroll Liabilities for Pay Period7/1/2008 - 7/31/2008	\$ 490.36
Sherry King	2 Certified mail - Leatherwood & Dalals	\$ 10.64
	Mileage and 1 meal at Keystone class	\$ 175.80
TOTAL CLAIMS FOR 2008		\$67,796.89